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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,016,647

AL PCT Application WO 00/00245

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were cited in a Search Report rendered by the European Patent Office during examination of the counterpart European Application. The other references cited in the European Search Report already have been made of record in the Information Disclosure Statement filed by Certificate of Mailing dated December 8, 2003. A copy of the European Search Report is submitted herewith.

Copies of the above references also are submitted herewith, together with Form 1449. Since both of these references are in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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